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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Derek O'Hagan et al.  
Serial No.: 09/914,279  
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Title: MICROEMULSIONS WITH ADSORBED MACROMOLECULES AND  
MICROPARTICLES  
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Examiner: Carlos A. Azpuru  
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**PETITION UNDER 1.136(a) AND AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE**  
**TO OFFICE ACTION**

Sir:

This is responsive to the final Office Action mailed July 13, 2005 in the above matter.

Applicants hereby petition the Assistant Commissioner to grant a three (3) month extension of time, up to and including January 13, 2006, in which to respond to the Final Office Action mailed July 13, 2005 in the above-identified application. The extension fee in the amount of \$1020.00 may be charged to deposit account No. 50-1047. In addition, the fee for the Request for Continued Examination (RCE) which is filed herewith and any deficiencies may be charged to deposit account No. 50-1047.